GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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INDIAN CONTRIBUTION TO UNO
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the contribution being paid by India to UNO annually during the last five years;

(b) the basis of fixation of this contribution;

(c) whether per capita income loans and debt on the country and poverty condition is taken into consideration while fixing it;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to get the contributions reduced in view of the financial conditions of the people and the country, and

(f) if so, the steps taken in this direction?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a) Details regarding India`s contribution to the U.N. Regular Budget during the last five years is annexed at Annexure `A`.

(b), (c) & (d) Contributions from Member States are determined as per a scale of assessment approved by the General Assembly on the basis of advice from the Committee on Contributions. The scale is based on the capacity of the Member States to pay, which is determined by considering their relative shares of total gross national product, adjusted to take into account a number of factors, including their per capita incomes. Based on this scale, currently (2004), India`s contribution constitutes 0.421% of the U.N. regular budget. The Committee of Contributions completely reviews the scale of assessments every three years, on the basis of the latest national income statistics, to ensure that assessments are fair and accurate. These contributions are mandatory on all U.N. Member States, since they are a part of the Charter obligations.

(e) No.

(f) Does not arise.

Annexure`A`

India`s contribution to United Nations Regular budget

Year	Contribution
2004	Rs. 27,98,68,571/- (US$ 61,22,699)
2003	Rs. 22,12,18,692/- (US$ 46,03,927)
2002	Rs. 18,59,79,902/- (US$ 38,64,919)
2001	Rs. 16,03,14,998/- (US$ 34,13,136)
2000	Rs. 13,71,49,289/- (US$ 31,39,146)